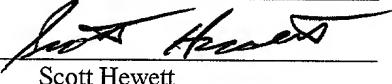


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For: LASER PUMP MODULE WITH  
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Before examining the above-referenced patent application on the merits,  
please amend the application as follows. This application is a division of U.S. App.  
Serial No. 09/915,184 entitled TRACKING ERROR SUPPRESSION AND METHOD  
OF REDUCING TRACKING ERROR by Wolak et al., filed July 24, 2001 and assigned  
to Art Unit 2881. Formal drawings with a Letter to the Official Draftsperson are  
enclosed. The formal drawings include amendments to the drawings as indicated below.

**IN THE TITLE**

On the first page of the application, please delete the title and replace  
therewith:

Laser Pump Module With Reduced Tracking Error

On the first page of the application, directly under the title, please delete "Inventors: Edmund Wolak, Tae Jin Kim, Harrison Ransom, Jo Major, and Robert Lang" and replace therewith --Inventors: Tae Jin Kim, Harrison Ransom, and Edmund Wolak--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On the first page, please delete paragraph [0001] and replace therewith:

[001] This application is a division of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/915,184 entitled TRACKING ERROR REDUCTION AND METHOD OF REDUCING TRACKING ERROR by Wolak et al., filed July 24, 2001, the disclosure of which is incorporated for all purposes. This application also claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application, serial number 60/287,936 entitled TRACKING ERROR SUPPRESSION AND METHOD OF REDUCING TRACKING ERROR by Edmund Wolak, Tae Jin Kim, and Harrison Ransom, filed April 30, 2001; and from U.S. Provisional Patent Application, serial number 60/291,949 entitled ADVANCED LENS SHAPES FOR FIBER COUPLED LASERS WITH REDUCED FEEDBACK by Edmund L. Wolak, Lei Xu, and Robert Lang, filed May 21, 2001; the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated in their entirety for all purposes. This application is being concurrently filed with U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/915,186, entitled LENSED OPTICAL FIBER by Edmund L. Wolak, Li Xu, Robert Lang and Tae J. Kim (Attorney Docket No. P1345), the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated for all purposes.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please amend Figs. 4B and 8B as shown in red ink on the attached marked-up versions of the as-filed figures.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-32.

**REMARKS**

The specification is amended to claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to a previously filed U.S. provisional patent application and to add the U.S. patent application serial number of a patent application referenced in the specification that was not available at the time the parent patent application was filed. A version of the substitute paragraph showing the changes made is provided on the following page.

Fig. 4B is amended to add an inadvertently omitted reference numeral and Fig. 8B is amended to add the subheading. The proposed amendments are consistent with the Written Description, paragraph [0079] and [00117], respectively, of the as-filed specification. The undersigned believes these amendments do not add new matter.

Claims 1-32, which are being pursued in the parent application, serial number 09/915,184, are cancelled.

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Version of the Replacement Paragraph Showing the Changes Made

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**CONCLUSION**

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite  
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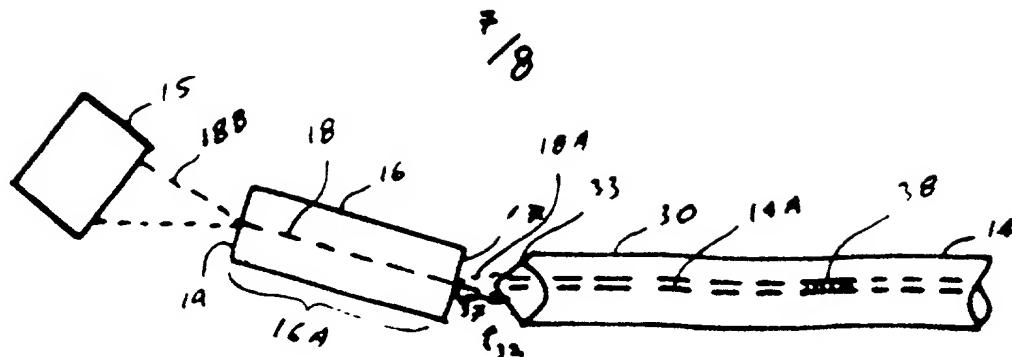


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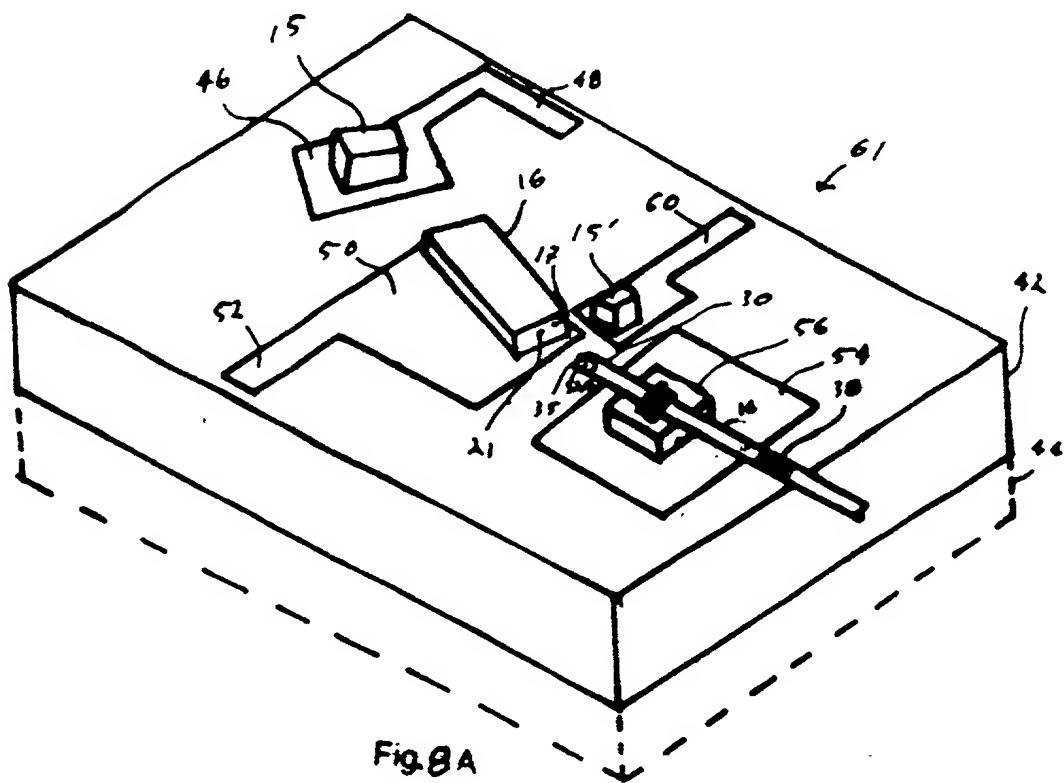


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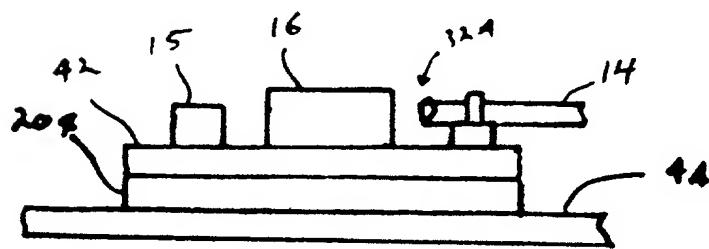


Fig. 8B

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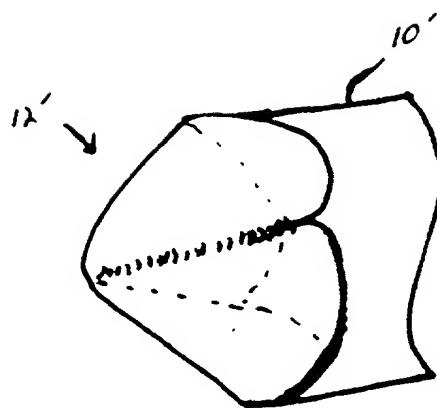


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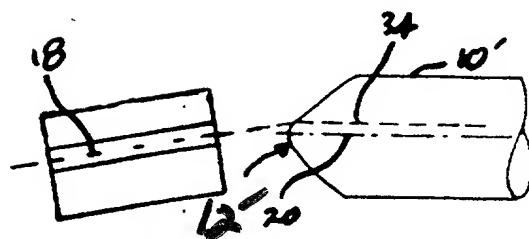


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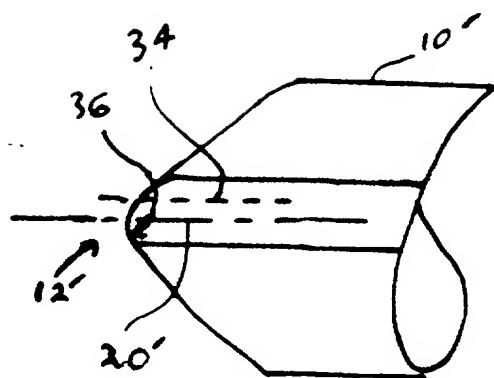


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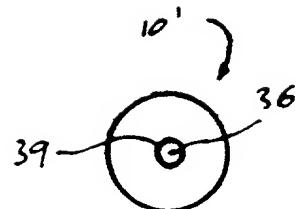


Fig. 4D